Art. 62.017 [Sec. 79.016]. CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN RECORDS. Clearing-house records that relate to the investigation by a law enforcement agency of a missing child, a missing person, or an unidentified body and records or notations that the clearinghouse maintains for internal use in matters relating to missing children, missing persons, or unidentified bodies are confidential.

Art. 62.018. DEATH CERTIFICATES. A physician who performs a postmortem examination on the body of an unidentified person shall complete and file a death certificate in accordance with Chapter 193, Health and Safety Code. The physician shall note on the certificate the name of the law enforcement agency that submitted the body for examination and shall send a copy of the certificate to the clearinghouse not later than the 10th working day after the date the physician files the certificate.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1997.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 10, 1997, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 26, 1997: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 20, 1997.

Effective September 1, 1997.

CHAPTER 1428

H.B. No. 2900

AN ACT

relating to the authority of a municipality and a county to regulate the subdivision of land in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 242.001(b), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) For an area in a municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction, as defined by Section 212.001, a plat may not be filed with the county clerk without the approval of both the municipality and the county. However, if one of those governmental entities requires a plat to be filed for the subdivision of a particular tract of land in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipality and the other governmental entity does not require the filing of a plat for that subdivision, the authority responsible for approving plats for the governmental entity that does not require the filing shall issue on request of the subdivider a written certification stating that a plat is not required to be filed for that subdivision of the land. The certification must be attached to a plat required to be filed under this subsection.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1997, and applies only to a plat for a subdivision of land that is filed on or after that date.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 6, 1997, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 27, 1997, by a viva-voce vote.

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Effective September 1, 1997.